

Board of Recreation Commissioners

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BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS MEETING, APRIL 4TH, 2012

Roll Call:

D. Aponte	Present
R. Correa	Present
J. Donegan	Present
J. Galligan	Present
D. Kostantakis	Present
D. Morrell	Present
P. Musse	(arrived at 8:00 pm)
J. Rafti	(arrived at 9:30 pm)
D. Totten	Present
B. Wicker	Present
Councilman Stylianou	Present

Chairman Correa called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

D. Aponte made a motion to accept the March 2012 minutes. J. Galligan seconded motion to accept minutes. Vote as follows: Aponte/yes, Galligan/yes, Kostantakis/yes, Morrell/yes, Musse/NAV, Rafti/NAV, Alt.#1-Donegan/yes. Motion carried. (*NAV-not available at time of vote)

Chairman announced, “*All requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law have been met for this meeting of the Board of Recreation Commissioners of the Borough of Dumont*”.

- Notices have been transmitted to the newspapers
- Notice is prominently posted in space provided on the bulletin board of the Borough Hall
- Notice has been filed with the Borough Clerk

OPEN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

John Perkins, Borough Administrator attended meeting to discuss a recent discussion he had with the Borough Auditor along with Council Liaison Harry Stylianou regarding the voucher system and payment of referees and umpires.

There will be a resolution made in which referees/umpires who have worked for the borough and have been documented and verified through recreation finance coordinator can have check cut the next business day following the submission of the paperwork from the recreation finance coordinator to CFO.

For the upcoming Sr. Baseball season the assigner will submit an invoice weekly and be signed off by the Program President Tony Como and submitted to Bill Wicker. Important to note that checks will not be issued for any umpire/referee who does not have their

paperwork in the system (1099). If you are already in the system you do not need to re-submit paperwork yearly unless information has changed, i.e. address.

J. Perkins stated when asked about auxiliaries having access to their own check book in order to place orders for food deliveries, etc, he said absolutely not. There will be no outstanding checkbooks. Regarding food hut, the borough will contact vendor and set up a credit line of a dollar amount to be encumbered. This will enable authorized buyer to make purchases to stock the hut.

Question rose regarding a ref/umpire who has already been in the system such as a camp counselor, would they need to submit a 1099 for payment of umpire/ref fees. This will be confirmed with the CFO.

Chairman Correa asked J. Perkins about the fencing at the Little League Field and the netting as they are down at this time. J. Perkins stated that the netting (old) will be put back up tomorrow which is Thursday morning 4/5/12 by 10am.

The new scoreboards are in and should be on the Major and Sr. fields some time next week. These scoreboards are wireless. The high school has bought a remote control. The remote for Sr. Baseball needs to be stored in a waterproof case which has been ordered to avoid any damage to this unit.

The playground equipment estimate was high and getting lower bids for the equipment. The fencing on the fields and tennis courts at Memorial Park needs to be replaced. Looking to do the fencing in a black vinyl.

Work to be done Veteran's Field with the netting and fencing in the area. The lighting is being worked on next week and will not affect the game schedules.

T. Como, President of Dumont Sr. Baseball stated that there is still a problem around the 3rd base is mushy and very wet. Contractor can not find a reason this is happening.

J. Perkins will speak with Kevin Dunne from Dumont High School regarding raking the field after each game and putting the condition of home plate and pitchers mound back to original condition. The fields need to be raked after every game on all fields to keep the condition of the field in shape.

V. Tamburro who ran the Travel Boys Basketball Program wanted to discuss the season and suggestions for next year's season. He wanted to thank the commission for approving this program. The high school coach Adam Sidrow helped with the tryouts and Pete Musse. Dumont is a little behind in the skill level of the other towns competing in this league. This is Dumont's first year in the league.

To improve on the program for next year a few suggestions were given:

- Have tryouts early October
- Avoid conflict with recreation and travel practices and game schedule by not making the kids priority to attend rec practices and games before going to travel.
- Make certain days of the week designated to Travel for practice days as to not conflict with recreation practices.

- Make sure rec teams are not made up of majority of travel players. The players should be more evenly distributed through the program.
- Have Travel players to their travel game as a priority.

*J. Galligan made a motion to close the Open Public portion of the meeting at this time. P. Musse seconded motion. Vote as follows: Aponte/yes, Galligan/yes, Kostantakis/yes, Morrell/yes, Musse/NAV Rafti/NAV Alt #1 Donegan/yes. Motion carried. (*NAV-not available at time of vote)*

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

Report as given during Open Public by J. Perkins.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Little League Field is completed and looks fantastic. The hut liaison, J. Galligan and the hut personnel are working together great getting ready for the upcoming season.

The office is open on Monday evenings from 6-8pm for any commissioners to come up to the office. Signups for your programs are scheduled for Monday evenings and the liaison needs to be at the program's registration.

Camp signups will be on Monday evenings 5/7, 5/14 and 5/21 from 6-8. I will be on vacation the 1st week of May and will not be able to attend the first signup. If you can volunteer to come up and help with the signups and distributing the shirts and information for camp that will be great. There will also be signups on Thursday evenings from 5-7 pm 5/10, 5/17, 5/24, 5/31, 6/7 and 6/14 with the deadline to register for camp 6/15.

Looking to purchase another trophy case that will go outside the elevators on the 2nd floor. The case will match the one we have on the 2nd floor. We have trophies all over the place in the office and hallway and we are unable to display them at this time. Once the area is measured commission will decide on which case to purchase.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

All bills that have been submitted have been vouchered.

We are getting stray referee forms that referees are sending directly into the office. These are from basketball. Some referees are resending forms already submitted because they haven't received their checks as yet which cause a bookkeeping confusion. Forms will have to be handed in once a week next year by the person running the program or a designated assigner.

Need to contact the DPW and get the sprinklers going on all of the fields now that the chemical program will be starting on the fields.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Applications are coming in for counselor positions. Samantha Walters, Assistant Director is coming to the office to work out some personnel issues and to discuss

dates when we can do the interviewing. Advertising for camp has started in the Twin Boro News and on the borough website. There will be no registrations done during the day hours at the office. Registrations will take place on 3 Monday evenings in May 6-8pm and then for six Thursday evenings 5-7pm which is being covered by S. Walters.

- Easter Egg Hunt for Saturday, March 31st was canceled due to bad weather.
- National Volunteer Week is April 15th through April 21st. DPW will put banner out for month of April. Location will be Dumont Library.
- Sean Lissemore former DHS football player now playing for the Dallas Cowboys wants to do a free clinic for the Dumont Jr. Football children and Dumont High School players. I am working with his agent Wes Bridges to find a date when Sean is available and then we will work to get DHS field for this event. This one day camp will be free. This is open to Dumont residents only.
- Roller Hockey is receiving a proclamation from Mayor Kelly at the 4/17/12 meeting celebrating the Bandits winning the New Jersey Roller Hockey League Jr. Division.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

D. APONTE:

Basketball Cheerleading: Has collected their uniforms.

Competition Cheerleading: Has had a great season. They had their end of season party. They are going to continue their registration fee for next season at \$150. They may not have tryouts this year. The Honiss Gym is requisitioned for their choreography for 6/15 and 6/16. They have a clothing drive scheduled for April 26th. They may be marching in the Memorial Day Parade with their trophies. They had to order uniforms this year which the cost was high. They are not anticipating the cost to be as high next year for uniforms. They are looking to purchase a broom mop to clean off their cheerleading mats.

New Programs: No report

J. DONEGAN:

Soccer: T. Downing has not gotten back with a report.

Town Celebrations: Easter Egg Hunt was canceled due to the weather.

Board of Education: No report

J. GALLIGAN:

Twin Boro Field Food Hut: No report

Memorial Field Food Hut: Switching from using Pepsi to Coke and the new machines will be delivered soon. The food list for stocking the hut is made. The cleaning service is coming in the week before the hut opens. New freezers were purchased and installed at the hut. Will be asking the auxiliary if they are going to go 50/50 on the high school scholarship donation of \$1,000.00 that has been given for many years.

Football Cheerleading: No report

Girl's Volleyball: The girls free clinic is starting April 18th.

After reviewing the proposal which was submitted for a girls volleyball clinic by the high school coach Lauren Bitetto the following motion is made.

J. Galligan made a motion to put a requisition in for use of Dumont High School for a Girls Instructional Volleyball Camp for Dumont residents run July 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 23rd, 24th, 25th and 26th from 9am to 3pm. Camp will be run by Lauren Bitetto and she will provide her own insurance. D. Kostantakis seconded motion. Vote as follows: Aponte/yes, Galligan/yes, Kostantakis/yes, Morrell/yes, Musse/yes Rafti/NAV Alt #1 Donegan/yes. Motion carried. (*NAV-not available at time of vote)

D. KOSTINTAKIS:

Girls Basketball: This was a good season. They have had their end of year pizza parties.

D. Kostantakis made a motion to put a requisition in for use of Dumont High School for a girls basketball camp that would run 6/20-6/22 from 9-12pm and 6/25-6/29 from 2-5pm. This camp would be run by DHS girls and basketball high school staff. The age groups of participants 3rd grade through 8th grade and only Dumont residents. They will be providing their own insurance. D. Morrell seconded motion. Vote as follows: Aponte/yes, Galligan/yes, Kostantakis/yes, Morrell/yes, Musse/yes Rafti/yes Alt #1 Donegan/yes. Motion carried. (*NAV-not available at time of vote)

Jr. Football: There have been between 110 and 120 registrations taken at the recent signups. Will submit the field requests and requirements to the recreation office for the fall permits.

Wrestling: Mike Vietri was asked to take over the wrestling program.

D. MORRELL:

Flag Football: Having their signups in June.

Certification #2 – No report

Commission/Council Liaison: No report

P. MUSSE:

Boys Basketball: Season is over and all the end of year parties and contests. New voucher system will be worked out for next year.

Roller Hockey: Dumont Bandits won the Jr. Division and will be awarded a proclamation from the Mayor on 4/17/12. R. Correa wants to thank Pete Musse for seeing to a lot of repairs that were done to the rink in order to get the season up and running.

Sr. Baseball: There are 7 teams with 84 players this season. The season has started. The program will do another field trip this year to either Rockland or Newark Bears Stadium

J. RAFTI:

Men's Softball: They will correct their website and update this year's information and rules. There was a recent meeting regarding some late signups and the issue was cleared up.

Ladies Softball: No report

Coach's Certification/Fingerprinting: No certification course until September.

Girl's Softball: Going in full swing.

Men's Soccer: No report

Recreation Garden: Will be using Selzer on Sunday mornings.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

R. Correa brought up that Staff Sgt Joseph D'Augustine of Waldwick who was killed while serving his 4th tour of duty in Afghanistan was a Dumont resident when he was younger. His father served on our police force. We feel the loss of a Dumont hero.

R. Correa wants the commission to look over designs for a volunteer tshirt that were submitted for our review.

J. Rafti said that all of our programs are always fighting for space. One program that truly needs their own area is the roller hockey program and he wants to look into finding an area to make a permanent roller hockey rink.

ADJOURNMENT:

J. Rafti made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 p.m. P. Musse 2nd seconded motion. Vote as follows: Aponte/yes, Galligan/yes, Kostantakis/yes, Morrell/yes, Musse/yes Rafti/yes Alt #1 Donegan/yes. Motion carried. (*NAV-not available at time of vote)

Respectfully submitted

Dawn Totten

4/5/12